



Minnesota Board of Barber Examiners

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BOARD MEETING

MONDAY November 24, 2014

MINUTES

Members Present: Jon Stone, James Robinson, Clarence Jones, and Kenneth Kirkpatrick

Absent: None

Staff Present: Thora Fisko, Executive Secretary and Trevor White

1) Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 8:29 by Chair Stone

2) Approve Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda with addition by member Robinson, second by member Jones, motion carried unanimously.

3) Approve Minutes

A. September 22, 2014

Motion to approve the minutes by member Robinson, second by member Kirkpatrick, motion carried unanimously.

B. October 20, 2014 Special Meeting

Motion to approve the minutes with addition by member Jones, second by member Kirkpatrick, motion carried unanimously.

Unfinished Business

4) Saint Paul International Barber School 990 Payne Ave, Saint Paul

Application continues to be incomplete. Motion by member Robinson that the item be tabled until all required documentation is submitted, second by member Kirkpatrick, motion passed unanimously.

New Business

5) Rule Variance Request

A. Kenath Price- Request to take the master barber examination. Mr. Price was not in attendance.

Motion by member Kirkpatrick, apprentice examination required, second by member Robinson, motion carried unanimously.

B. Miamen Wopea- Mr. Wopea requested to extend apprenticeship to next examination for opportunity to retake the examination.

Motion by member Robinson, to extend apprenticeship to next examination, second by member Jones, motion passed unanimously.

6) Reciprocity Application

A. Ridha Bahi – Item moved to January meeting at applicant request.

7) Examination Scores

A. Peggy Schmidt, Minnesota School of Barbering – Ms. Schmidt asks that the Board reconsider the practice of reporting examination scores as pass fail only. She reports that she has recently attended a conference regarding federal accreditation and believes that number scores may be required. Chair Stone stated if there is documentation of the requirement the Board will work with the schools to provide what is necessary.

Terrie Mau, Moler Barber School- Commented that the students ask for their scores and stated that Universities give number scores to students.

Examinees are allowed to come to the office and review their exams and see scores.

No action was taken.

8) Correspondence

None

9) Inspector Report

Inspector Trevor White reported:

Inspections completed: 238 inspections attempted, 178 completed since the last meeting. 19 Barber Shops have been identified as closed or dual licensed without a barber currently working.

Violations Found: 3 unlicensed shops, other minor violations including being current but not having license posted, not having proper dispensary set up, not changing wet dip sanitizer, and no closed hamper for soiled towels.

10) Executive Secretary Report

Executive Secretary Thora Fisko reported:

A. 2013 – 2014 Biennial Report – Copy of report provided and small corrections are to be made. The report provides information regarding our fees including the 10% E-Licensing surcharge which goes to MN.IT which is scheduled to sunset July 1 and if it does will reduce the fees to barbers. Sunset of the surcharge will not impact Board revenue, the surcharge funds are to another budget for the development of statewide electronic licensing. The report also provides statistics regarding number of licenses, complaints, and examinations as well as some other general information regarding Board operations.

B. Renewals – Renewal notices were mailed on November 7 and as of end of day on Friday November 21 nearly 25% have been returned and processed. Credit Card renewals appear to be up although those numbers are not available.

C. Financial- Current revenue and expenditure figures were shared and copies provided to the Board members. Currently the report shows the Board has expended more funds than it has collected. That is typical at this point in the fiscal year and with the current renewals revenues with again exceed expenditures by the end of the quarter.

- D. NCI Exam- The Board has tabled discussion regarding the use of the NCI examination. The Executive Secretary will proceed with additional research, particularly costs and pros and cons of use of our practical or national etc and report back again. Also to look at the pass fail vs scores in relation to the national examination.
- E. Outstate Board Meetings – There has been discussion regarding outstate meetings. Member Jones stated he will provide the McKnight regional map for consideration at the next meeting.

11) Call for Public Comments

Richard Aguilar, long time Minnesota barber, made comments in support of Ms. Ortega's application for a Barber School and her plan to provide the opportunity for others to have the type of opportunities he has had from barbing.

12) Other New Business

A. Election of 2015 officers

Motion by member Robinson to continue with current officers, second by member Jones, motion carried unanimously.

Chair Stone appointed the same members to continue as the complaint committee, Member Stone and member Robinson.

B. Open Discussion

Member Kirkpatrick mentioned that he has heard ideas at the capitol regarding changing the technical school programs to shorten the schooling and provided for hands on apprenticeships. He will continue to monitor the discussions and encourages all to pay attention to any upcoming legislation.

13) Meeting Schedule

January 26, 2014
March 23, 2015
May 18, 2015

Complaint Committee meets in closed session following the board meetings

14) Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by member Robinson, second by member Jones, motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 10:00.